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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS  
UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES  
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In response to the outstanding NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) mailed May 22, 2006, Applicant hereby respectfully submits the following:

- (1) a DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY duly executed by the inventor;
- (2) an Assignment transferring all rights in the above-identified application from the inventor to Microcuff GmbH, together with a Recordation Form Cover Sheet;
- (3) a check in the amount of \$105.00 to cover the surcharge for late filing of the Declaration (small entity) and also the Assignment recordation fee; and
- (4) a duplicate copy of the NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US), as requested in the Notice.

It is believed that the enclosed documents constitute a full response to the outstanding NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN

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THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) in the above-identified case.

If any additional fees are required to be paid, please charge the same to Deposit Account No. 16-0221.

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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/19/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 01/19/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 01/19/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 01/19/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 01/19/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 01/19/2006
- Small Entity Statement filed on 01/19/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 01/19/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 01/19/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 01/19/2006
- Specification filed on 01/19/2006
- Claims filed on 01/19/2006
- Abstracts filed on 01/19/2006
- Drawings filed on 01/19/2006

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ACTION

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DUE DATE

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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE**

DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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